3. Shahadara.

4. Near I.N.A. Market, New Delhi.

Jhuggi Jhonpri Clusters in the Capital

4001. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of jhuggi jhonpri clusters in Delhi with particular reference to surveys made, jhuggis given by Delhi Administration, how many of them are on Government lands etc; and

(b) what action Government propose to take to evict such usurpers from the Government land and to check the mushrooming growth of such clusters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) According to Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, as per survey conducted by its Food and Civil Supplies Department and the Slum Wing of Delhi Development Authority (now MCD) in January, 1991 there were more than 900 J.J. Clusters consisting of about over 2.5 lakh jhuggis in Delhi spread all over Delhi. Most of these jhuggi clusters are on Government land.

(b) The land owning agencies have been requested by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi to protect their lands from encroachments and to take legal action against encroachers. Five Special Vigilance Teams have also been set up by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi to take removal action in respect of illegal encroachment/ unauthorised construction which have come up recently.

Cadre Review of JR. Engineers in CPWD

4002. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY:
SHRIMATI ILA PANDA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a cadre review proposal of Junior Engineers (diplomaholders) of CPWD is pending with Government;

(b) whether it is a fact that as per proposal of cadre review Junior Engineers of CPWD are promoted to Assistant Engineers after 20 years of service but they are getting the scale of Assistant Engineer after 15 years of service;

(c) if so, what would be the financial burden on Government due to this cadre review; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to remove the unprecedented stagnation in the cadre of Junior Engineers and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Second cadre review of Junior Engineers of CPWD has been under consideration of the Government.

(b) In case the Cadre Review proposals are approved, some Junior Engineers who have completed more than 20 years of service are likely to be promoted to the Grade of Assistant Engineer on the basis of Seniority-cum-fitness basis.

(c) In case all the promotees are Junior Engineers who have been given personal promotion after completion of 15 years of service, there will not be any major financial burden.

(d) Government have issued orders on 22nd March, 1991 according to which there will be two scales of pay of the Junior Engineers of CPWD., viz. Rs. 1400-2300 and Rs. 1640-2900. Junior Engineers on completion of 5 years in the entry grade as on 1.1.86 will be placed in the scale of Rs. 1640-2900 subject to rejection of unfit. Junior engineers who could not be promoted to the post of Assistant Engineers due to non-availability of vacancies in the grade of Assistant Engineer will be allowed the

scale of Assistant Engineer, that is, Rs. 2000-3500 on a personal basis after completion of 15 years of total service as Junior Engineers on fitness basis. This decision is effective from 1.1.1991. This would give considerable relief to the Junior engineers with long years of service.

Disaster in Indravati Power Project, Orissa

@4003. SHRI BASANT KUMAR DAS: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a major disaster which occurred in the tunnel of the World Bank funded multi-purpose Hydro Electric Upper Indravati Power Project under construction in Orissa since 1978;

(b) if so, whether Government are aware of a commission being set up by Government of Orissa to find out the causes of the disaster by the State's Special Relief Commissioner;

(c) whether the Central Government were informed of the findings of the Commission; and

(d) if so, what action the Central Government have taken/propose to take as World Bank funding is supposedly done at the Central Government's instance?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI V.C. SHUKLA): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. Subsequent to the flooding of the headrace tunnel of Upper Indravati Hydro-electric Project on 28th July, 1991, the Government of Orissa set up a Committee headed by Development Commissioner, Orissa to ascertain the causes that led to the tragedy and pin point the deficiencies and failures that contributed to it and also give suggestions about preventive measures to be taken to avoid such tragedies in future.

The Committee in its Report submitted to the State Government in October, 1991 found the Project management wanting in preparation of the specifications for the Coffer Dam as well as in enforcement of the contract conditions with the Contractor with regard to safety aspects of the work. It also suggested the necessity for effective communication for avoiding such tragedies in future. Since the irrigation projects are executed by the State Governments, it is for Orissa Government to take action as deemed fit on the findings.

Water Crisis in Asia in the Next Century

@@4004. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Times of India dated the 22nd September, 1992 under the caption "Water crisis likely in Asia next century";

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to overcome the difficulties mentioned therein?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI V.C. SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A Statement is enclosed.

STATEMENT

Most of the issues raised in the newsitem have already been considered by the Government and are covered in the National Water Policy adopted by the National Water Resources Council in September, 1987. To maximise the availability of water, the National Water Policy has recommended that resource planning in the case of water has to be done for a hydrological unit such as a basin/sub-basin so that all the requirements of water in each sub-basin and basin can be assessed and the surplus

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**Includes State Sector Projects

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